

(3.) That he shall be under the direction of the said Book and Tract Committee and the Trustees of Ashland College, his compensation to be fixed by said Boards.

(4.) That we earnestly request the National Conference to ask the Johnstown church to release Brother Haskins from his contract with said church.

The convention ordered a certified copy of the above report be forwarded to the Johnstown church.

The National organization of the King's Children was reported as follows:

President, J. O. Talley, Milledgeville, Ill.; Secretary, Mary A. Metzger, Elkhart, Ind.; Treasurer, Emma Lichty, Lanark, Ill.

These officers constitute the Board of directors for the National Organization of the King's Children for the coming year.

Pres. J. O. Talley gave a verbal report of the year's work for the K. C. which report was adopted.

A National executive committee for the coming year was elected as follows:

Penn., J. H. Knepper; Ohio, J. M. Bowman; Ind., R. B. Teeter; Va., W. Va., Md., J. C. Mackey; Kanemorado, J. D. McFaden; Illiokota, Z. T. Livengood.

At this juncture, Bro. W. A. Welty was ordained to the full ministry by Brethren B. C. Moomow and J. Allen Miller. Bro. Moomaw reading 1 Tim. iii, 1-7 and iv, 12-16, Bro. Miller delivering the ordination prayer, after which Bro. M. delivered the charge. 2 Tim. iv, 1, 2.

On motion the secretary of the National Conference was appointed custodian of the charter and all other documents of the general church.

The following resolutions was unanimously adopted and the chautauqua salute given in honor of its sentiments:

Resolved, That the Brethren church is in sympathy with the W. C. T. U. in its great work of breaking the bonds of impurity that binds man in sin, and biddeth God speed in its great work of redemption.

J. D. McFADEN.

The committee on resolutions reported as follows:

Resolved, (1) That as intemperance is a giant evil opposing all good. That we do all in our power to protect the home, the State and the church.

(2) That we encourage our young people in their work to extend the borders of our Zion and urge them to continue in their work through organized societies.

(3) That the King's Children, so aptly conducted by Bro. J. O. Talley, be recommended to our young people as an aid in their work and we wish it success in its mission.

(4) That we stand by Ashland College, providing for its necessities, gather students for its halls, and by our prayers and means, sustain its teachers and trustees.

(5) That as a church we more earnestly endeavor to carry out the Master's wish when he said "Go and preach my Gospel to every creature," and sustain our National and State Mission Boards in their efforts to obey that command.

(6) That we faithfully sustain our publishing cause; support our new editor and his assistants; put the EVANGELIST into every home under our influence; use our own Sunday school literature and scatter our tracts.

(7) That we recommend each church to pay into the hands of the Finance Committee for National conference expenses, one dollar for the first delegate elected, and fifty cents for each additional delegate sent to National conference.

(8) That we sympathize with Bro. and Sister Harrison in their great loss—the death of little Homer, which is but for this world;

and that we extend to Bro. Harrison our sincere thanks for his services as editor of the BRETHREN EVANGELIST, and pray that the Divine Healer may bless and guide him.

(9) That the Sister's Society of Christian Endeavor be recognized as a great aid in answering the Disciple's prayer—"Thy kingdom come," and that they be encouraged in their work of organizing, extending and developing the cause of Christ.

(10) That the thanks of this conference be extended to our retiring moderator, Bro. Tombaugh, and wish him success in his new work: To our present moderator for his earnest service during this conference; to Bro. Herrington and Sister Berkley for efficient help in song service; to all the officers of this conference for good service, and to the Press and citizens of Ashland for their help.

(11) That the thanks of the entire Brotherhood are due to Bro. A. D. Gnagey for the splendid work he has given us in Sunday school literature.

(12) That we extend our hearty thanks to the Board of Directors of the Brethren Publishing House for their willingness to change the charter under which it is organized, so that the church shall have full control of the company.

Committee { J. D. McFADEN,
D. J. BOLE,
MARTIN SHIVELY.

The Convention was informed that a debt of \$600.00 existed against the Publishing house; that said debt had been contracted under the old management and that upon the purchase of the plant by the church, the board of managers had become personally responsible for this debt, and now desired to be released from it; in short, that this Conference should pay the same. A motion was passed as follows:

Resolved, That the cash in the hands of the Board of Managers of the Brethren Publishing House, amounting to \$167.00 be applied to the debt of \$600.00 assumed by the Board of Managers, and that the Bills Receivable in hands of said board, be collected and applied to the same debt.

The resolutions above failing to provide sufficient funds for the purpose, the following was adopted:

Resolved, That the Brethren church through this conference, assume the legal liability for the particular indebtedness of \$600.00, or that part of the same unprovided from the preceding resolution, which sum had been borrowed for the BRETHREN EVANGELIST by the Board of Managers, and that we instruct the Brethren book and Tract Committee to use the first surplus money coming into their hands, toward the liquidation of this debt; and that it also be instructed to make a special effort to buy the balance of the stock that cannot be had by donation.

The chairman of Conference finance committee, John Keim, made report as follows:

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| Balance from last year, | \$6.00 | |
| Received from delegates, | 81.00 | \$87.00 |
| Expenditures—Oil, Janitor, etc., | 6.00 | |
| Book and Tract Com., | 17.00 | |
| Dr. Roop, Ex. for Charter, | 15.90 | |
| Cleaning College, | 33.17 | |
| Tuning Pianos, | 10.00 | |
| Secretary's book, | 5.00 | 87.07 |
| | | To balance, .07 |

A number of short speeches from delegates were had, and the convention adjourned to meet at the call of the executive committee.

J. H. Knepper, chairman. } Secretaries.
J. Allen Miller.
Martin Shively.

USE YOUR OWN VOICE.

It is hard for people to talk when they have nothing to say. The object of speech is to convey men's ideas; but if they have no ideas, what then? Borrowed thoughts, borrowed words, stolen ideas, and stolen sermons, raise the question whether persons who have nothing to say, might not as well wait until their minds are more fertile.

Of all borrowing, the most transparent imposition is when people utter borrowed ideas in a borrowed voice. It sometimes is the case that a person will speak or read, perhaps by the hour, and not in the whole time for one moment make use of his own natural voice.

He starts with some sort of a false pitch or artificial tone, and then goes on mimicking and mouthing, to the disgust of all sensible people. And so soon as persons of any intelligence detect this artificial tone and manner of speech, they are quite likely to infer that the words and ideas are borrowed, as well as the tones in which they are uttered.

If you have anything to say, say it, but say it in your own voice. Do not try to talk as some one else has talked; do not undertake to use the tones or gestures of some one whom you have been led to admire. What might be admirable in another person may be contemptible in yourself. Borrowed

ideas and borrowed tones are quite sure to be detected some time, and even if no one knows whom you are imitating, the fact that you are acting a part, will rob what you say of all weight and interest, and discerning people will say, how do we know whether he believes what he says or not? What the world most needs is right down honesty of purpose; for the utterance which comes from the heart of him who speaks, goes to the hearts of those who hear. The great secret of effective speaking is to have something to say worth saying, and then to say it in your own natural, honest voice, talking as man with man, and convincing by the power of ideas rather than by strength of lungs.